## PROCEDURES FOR ELECTRONIC FILING OF PROOFS OF CLAIM AND TRANSFERS OF CLAIM BY CREDITOR'S DESIGNEE

#### I. Registration

- A. Forms An individual or entity, including a governmental entity, ("Creditor") desiring to electronically file proofs of claim and/or transfers of claim in cases filed in this Court should complete and submit the attached Creditor Registration Form to CM/ECF Registration, Clerk, United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Maryland, 101 West Lombard Street, Suite 8303, Baltimore, Maryland 21201. In addition, at least one employee or agent of a Creditor who is to be responsible for electronically filing proofs of claim and/or transfers of claim for that Creditor ("Creditor's Designee") must complete and submit the attached Creditor's Designee Registration Form.
- B. *Transmittal of password* Each Creditor's Designee will receive a login and password upon completion of training.
- C. Password security Creditor's Designee may find it desirable to change their court assigned passwords periodically. Any Creditor's Designee having reason to believe that the security of an existing password has been compromised or that a threat to the Court's computer system may exist shall immediately notify the Court's Systems Department and confirm the notice in writing, to prevent unauthorized access.

#### II. Electronic Filing of Proofs of Claim and Transfers of Claim

Creditors and their designee who electronically file proofs of claim and/or transfers of claim shall comply with the following procedures:

A. Form of Proof of Claim - Each proof of claim must conform to Official Form 10 with respect to the information requested by that form, subject to the instructions concerning attachments below.

Proofs of claim that are filed electronically must be text documents in PDF format (as opposed to scanned or imaged documents). By electronically filing the proof of claim or transfer of claim with either a scanned image or "/s/" representation of his/her signature, the Creditor's Designee certifies the accuracy of the claim and that it is filed in good faith. The proof of claim form must include the following statement from Official Form 10: "Penalty for presenting fraudulent claim: 'fine of up to \$500,000 or imprisonment up to 5 years, or both.' 18 U.S.C. §§ 152 and 3571."

- B. Form of Transfer of Claim A transfer of claim shall state the claim number(s) of the proofs of claim for each transferred claim.
- C. Attachments Any document filed as an exhibit to a proof of claim shall be excerpted so as to include only the portion minimally necessary to support the claim. Only those portions of documents should be attached that evidence the amount of the claim and demonstrate the claimant's interest, i.e., a note and critical portions of deeds, mortgages and security agreements. Examples include pages containing recording information, parties to the instrument, signatures, grants of liens or security interests, collateral descriptions, and summaries of accounts rather than copies of invoices. Exhibits must be prominently identified as an excerpt and the Creditor must make the original exhibit available in its entirety upon request by a party or the Court. Creditors filing excerpts of exhibits pursuant to this procedure do so without prejudice to their right to file additional exhibits or unedited exhibits.
- D. Signatures; Authorization; Representations No person or entity shall cause a proof of claim or transfer of claim to be filed electronically without the express authorization of the individual whose signature appears on the document and of the entity on whose behalf the document is being filed. The name of the signatory on the proof of claim or transfer should be typed or legibly printed beneath the signature.

- E. Creditor's Designee The Creditor's Designee is the individual who authorizes the filing of a proof of claim or transfer of claim. The "/s/" representation of the Creditor's Designee shall constitute that person's signature for purposes of Fed. R. Bankr. P. 9011 and 18 U.S.C.§§ 152 and 3751. The signature of the Creditor's Designee must appear on every proof of claim and transfer filed electronically on behalf of the Creditor, by placing "/s/ [Name of Creditor's Designee]" on the signature line.
- F. Electronic Filing of Claims Representations to the Court In filing a proof of claim or transfer of claim, the Creditor's Designee certifies that:
  - 1. He/ she is authorized to file the proof of claim or transfer of claim by the entity on whose behalf the document is being filed;
  - 2. The Creditor is the same entity stated on that individual's application to use the CM/ECF system; and
  - 3. The Creditor's Designee who electronically files of a proof of claim or transfer of claim certifies, on behalf of the Creditor, that the information in the proof of claim is true and correct. Fed. R. Bankr. P. 9011.

# UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF MARYLAND

# ELECTRONIC PROOFS OF CLAIM CREDITOR REGISTRATION FORM

Entities filing proofs of claim and/or transfers of claim in cases pending in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the District of Maryland ("Creditors") that desire to be authorized to file such documents electronically should complete this registration form and submit it to the Clerk of the Court.

"Firm" is the name of the Creditor entity on whose behalf an employee or agent ("Creditor's Designee") is to be issued a login and password and authorized to file electronically proofs of claim and/or transfers of claim. Complete a separate form for each separate corporate or other distinct legal entity.

Firm Name:	
Firm Address:	
Firm Federal Tax ID#	
Contact Person:	
Telephone Number:	
Fax Phone Number:	
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Internet E-mail Address:	
By submitting this registration form,	the undersigned Creditor agrees that:
to submit the proof of claim for filing. F 9011 and Official Form No. 10.	esignees to comply with the orders of
3) If a Creditor's Designee ceases to behalf of the Creditor, the Creditor was activate a new password.	o be authorized to file proofs of claim ill promptly notify the Clerk and will
4) The Creditor has read Administra	tive Order 03-02.
I certify under penalty of perjury submit this Creditor Registration Forn above.	that I am properly authorized to n on behalf of the firm identified
Date:	
	Signature
	Office or Position with Creditor Firm
Address and Phone	
(if different from above)	

Please return to:	CM/ECF Registration Clerk United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Maryland Suite 8308 101 West Lombard Street Baltimore, Maryland 21201
	UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF MARYLAND
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•	for an account on the Court's Electronic Case Filing System, information requested below:
be authorized to f Creditor's Design	ame of the entity on whose behalf the Creditor's Designee is to ile electronically proofs of claim and transfers of claim. If the ee is employed by more than one entity in the same group of continuation sheet with the information requested for each entity.)
First/Middle/Last	Name:
Firm Name:	
Firm Address:	

Firm Federal Tax ID#:	
Contact Person:	
Telephone Number:	
Fax Number:	
Internet E-mail Address:	

By submitting this registration form, the undersigned Creditor's Designee agrees that:

- 1) Every proof of claim be signed by the Creditor's Designee authorized to submit the proof of claim for filing. Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure 9011 and Official Form No. 10. The Creditor's Designee will insure that an "/s/" accompanied by the typed name of the Creditor's Designee is attached to or made part of each proof of claim filed electronically. (The password issued to a Creditor's Designee identifies that person each time he/she logs on to the CM/ECF system.)
- 2) The use of the password for the Creditor's Designee serves as his/her signature for purposes of indicating an understanding of and agreement to comply with the orders and procedural directions of the Court concerning the electronic filing of proofs of claim.
- 3) The Creditor's Designee must protect and secure the password issued by the Court. If any reason exists to suspect the password has been compromised, it is the responsibility of the Creditor's Designee to notify the Court immediately. The Court will thereafter delete that password and issue a new one.

- 4) If the Creditor's Designee ceases to be authorized to file proofs of claim, the Creditor's Designee will notify the Clerk in writing and will cease using that login and password. The Creditor's Designee will promptly submit an amended registration form reflecting changes in status.
  - 5) The undersigned has read Administrative Order No. 03-02.

I certify under penalty of perjury that I am properly authorized to submit this Creditor's Designee Filer Registration Form on behalf of the firm identified above.

Date:		
		Applicant's Signature
Approved:		
		Signature of Authorized Supervisor of Applicant
Office or Position	with the Creditor Firm	
Address and Pho	ne	
(if different from above)		
Please return to:	CM/ECF Registration Clerk	
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## Exhibit B to Administrative Order 03-02

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